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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996-Telecommunications

Carriers' Use of Customer Proprietary Network Information and other Customer

Information, CC Docket No. 96-115

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This week, Joshua Swift, and the undersigned of Verizon met with Ian Dillner of Chairman Martin's office, Scott Bergmann of Commissioner Adelstein's office, and Nick Alexander of Commissioner Tate's office to discuss the company's concerns regarding potential restrictions the FCC is considering placing on the foreign storage of and access to CPNI generated in the United States. We explained that the record in this proceeding is stale and should be refreshed. The Commission last sought industry comment on this issue five years ago in 2002. The telecommunications market has changed dramatically during the last five years and is now much more of a global market. For example, Verizon is now a major global service provider that provides a full range of communications services in six continents to large multinational corporate customers. We also explained that a prohibition on either foreign storage of or access to U.S. generated CPNI would hinder Verizon's ability to effectively meet its customers' needs, including those of multinational corporate customers.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

Donne Epps